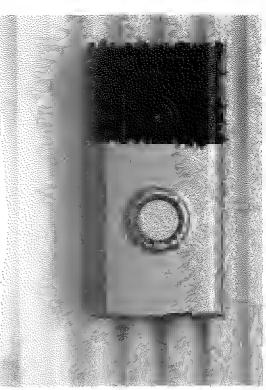
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## RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY PREVENTION

Burglary victims often feel vulnerable and violated as their personal space has been invaded. Residential burglaries often occur during the day while families are at work or school, Household tools like hammers, screwdrivers, pry bars and pliers may be used to gain entry into your home.

Unfortunately, it is hard to catch burglars in the act and harder to catch them after the fact. While residential burglaries seem random in nature, there is a simple selection process. Unoccupied homes with easy or concealed access and quick escape routes are targeted. Protect yourself and make your home a less likely target with the following suggestions:

## BRIGHT IDEAS

install lights by all exterior doors. Use lights at night.

Install outside light fixtures where bulbs are hard to reach.

Illuminate house numbers for quick emergency services response.

Trim shrubs back from doors and windows. Don't give burglars places to hide.





